

REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that group 1, claims 1—16, 17—20, 32—35, and 36—42, group II, claims 21—23, group III, claims 24—26, and group IV, claims 27—31 are drawn distinct inventions and that an election is required. The Examiner further indicated that claim 1 is generic to the following patentably distinct species: Species I, Figures 1—2; Species II, Figures 3—5; Species III, Figure 6; Species IV, Figure 9.

Election:

Applicants hereby elect group I, claims 1—16, 17—20, 32—35, and 36—42 for further prosecution. Applicants further elect Species I, Figures 1—2, and respectfully submit that claims 1, 17, 32 and 36 are generic to Species I and that claims 1, 5—14, 16—20, 32—39, and 41 read on Species I

Amendment:

Applicants have cancelled non-elected claims 21—31.

Conclusion

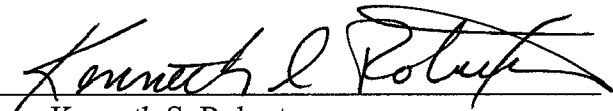
The Applicant's respectfully submit that claims 1—16, 17—20, 32—35, and 36—42 are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance of the application is requested. If the Examiner has any questions or comments, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (949) 567-6700.

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